Information for Students on Exchange

**A. University**  
University of Sydney  
http://www.usyd.edu.au

**B. Country**  
Australia

**C. Academics**

| i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer | Please ensure that your module mappings are approved by the relevant departments in NUS before you depart for the exchange. You can submit your request for module mapping via myEduRec using the module mapping worksheet after you have accepted your SEP offer.  

Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan. You are encouraged to map some spare modules in the event that your preferred modules are not offered in that semester, unavailable or cancelled.  

Click here for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping. |
| ii) Academic Calendar | Semester 1: Late February to Late June  
Semester 2: Late July to Late November  
https://sydney.edu.au/students/key-dates.html |
| iii) Exchange Duration | One semester |
| iv) Examination | Students are expected to attend the mandatory examination at the host university. |
| v) Curriculum Structure | The minimum study requirement is 18 credits per semester (equivalent to 3 courses), up to a full time workload of 24 credits per semester (equivalent to 4 courses). |
| vi) Entry Requirements | • be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student;  
• have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme;  
• have a sound academic record, i.e. minimum CAP of 3.0, and should not have any grade below grade ‘C’ (grade point of 2.0) in any module; |
### vii) Language Proficiency Requirements

English is the language of instruction at U of Sydney. NUS students should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term.

### viii) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students

- Architecture, Design and Planning
- Arts and Social Sciences
- Business
- Engineering and Information Technologies
- Health Sciences
- Law
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Pharmacy
- Science
- Veterinary Science
- Thematic courses offered by multiple faculties


### ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

Undergraduate students are not permitted to enrol in postgraduate units of study (coded numerically 5000 and higher)

Law, Medicine and Psychology are only available at the Undergraduate level (coded numerically between 1000-3000)

Law, Veterinary Science and Media & Communications are open to students enrolled in these specific degrees only.

Students admitted to the U of Sydney under a discipline-specific agreement are restricted to units of study within this discipline. However, 6 credits
(one unit of study) out of a full-time load of 24 credits, may be taken outside of this discipline per semester.

**D. Application**

**i) Procedures**

Students can apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty’s announcement regarding the application period.

Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.

**ii) Deadlines**

All NUS student must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

**E. Accommodations**

**i) University Accommodation**

U of Sydney offers exchange students guaranteed accommodation at Urbanest, a student accommodation complex within a 5 minute walk to Sydney main campus in Camperdown and located on the doorstep of downtown Sydney. Contracts start the week before Orientation Week and finish the week after the final exam period.

All students who live at Urbanest benefit from the following facilities and services:

- Central Location
- Fully furnished apartments
- Rent inclusive of all utilities and 15GB of internet per month
- Social and Study spaces
- 24/7 Security System and dedicated on-site team
- Gym & Yoga room
- Indoor cinema and Game room

Other on-campus options include the Queen Mary Building and selected residential colleges such as St Paul’s College, St John’s College, Sancta Sophia College and Mandelbaum House.
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<td>Students must apply before the deadline and meet the stipulated criteria at the point of application. Specific room types are not guaranteed. Students will be provided with the application form after receiving the acceptance offer from Sydney.</td>
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<td>If you are planning to look for an off-campus accommodation, it is recommended that you arrive one to two weeks earlier to look for a permanent place to live. If you have found a private accommodation online, it is advisable that you arrive earlier to see the place and ensure that you are comfortable with the room condition, environment and safety before making any commitment.</td>
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<td>Please read through the contract carefully to ensure that you are agreeable to the terms and conditions as well as other additional charges on top of the rental fee.</td>
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<td>There are a variety of off-campus housing options. These include shared houses, full board or homestay, studio and private apartments. The Student Accommodation Services maintains an accommodation database which provides updated information about off-campus housing.</td>
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<td>Once you have purchased the Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), Sydney will issue an Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE), which is required for your Australian Student Visa Application.</td>
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<td>All exchange students must obtain an Australian Non Award Student Visa (sub-class 500) before arriving in Australia.</td>
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<td>Students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.</td>
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G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health/Medical Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university’s medical insurance and the NUS Student Travel Insurance. For more information on the university medical insurance, please refer to https://www.nus.edu.sg/uhc/general-health/billing-insurance/insurance-matters

For more information on the NUS Student travel Insurance, please refer to https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/

All international students studying in Australia are required to purchase an approved Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) policy. OSHC is a condition of the Overseas Student Visa issued by the Australian Immigration authorities. The cost is approximately A$330 for 6 months. Students can purchased OSHC through the Sydney.

In addition, it is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside Australia. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students can purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

For more information on health and insurance, please refer to https://www.sydney.edu.au/study/study-options/fees-and-loans/health-cover.html.

ii) Emergency Number at host university

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H. Cost of Living

i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

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<td>Accommodation</td>
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<td>A$400 – A$700</td>
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<td>Transport</td>
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<td>Others (Entertainment, clothes)</td>
<td>A$400 – A$800</td>
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<td>Monthly Estimate</td>
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Details can be found at https://www.sydney.edu.au/study/accommodation/living-costs.html.